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Applicant: Ralf-Peter PETERS et al. Conf.: 9259
Appl. No.: 09/623,910 Group: 1743
Filed: November 13, 2000 Examiner: L.A. Alexander
For: SAMPLE SUPPORT

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

November 22, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated July 22, 2002, the due date having been extended one (1) month to November 22, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 38 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

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Please amend the claims as follows:

2. (Amended) The sample support according to claim 39, characterized in that each reaction chamber comprises a bottom face having side surfaces extending at an angular orientation to the bottom surface, and that said capillary force generating

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SMALL ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORMAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via facsimile.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
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| TOTAL | 65 | - | 66 | = | 0 | \$ 9 | \$0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT | 1 | - | 1 | = | 0 | \$ 42 | \$0.00 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM | | | | | | \$140 | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | | TOTAL | \$0.00 |

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- ☒ Petition for one (1) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$55.00 for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$55.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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